

## MATTERS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Personals and News Items of Interest to "Silver Belt" Readers

### INTEREST IN GLOBE GROWING

Good Opinions of the Camp and Its Future Expressed By Visitors—Railroad Construction Proceeds, Favored By Fine Weather

All roads lead to Globe and they are being well traveled.

R. H. Rose left on a business trip to El Paso and may visit Douglas and Bisbee before returning to Globe.

The warm weather of the past week has caused the buds to swell and a continuance will make fruit trees to blossom soon.

The Bisbee Review notes the departure of M. L. Narquin for Globe to arrange for the opening of a furniture store in this city.

W. H. Harris returned Saturday from Bisbee and expects to leave in a few days for the coast, where he will spend some time.

Several of the stores have put in the Stimpson computing scales which instantly register the weight and cost of an article at any given price per pound.

Seven men convicted at the recent term of the United States court at Solomonville of selling liquor to Indians were taken to Yuma last week to serve their sentences.

Governor Kibbey has been asked by the department to recommend a trustworthy and competent person for postmaster at Roosevelt; also for several other postoffices in Arizona.

George Kingdon on his return trip to Nacozari stopped over in Douglas long enough to make an important investment in that city, becoming half owner of the Long block at the corner of Eleventh street and Avenue G.

John Lazear, of Payson, was a visitor here on Monday. He said the cattle and mining interests of northern Gila county were both in a healthy condition and predicts a prosperous year for that section.

Mills Van Wagenen was in from the mines Monday and after an absence of three months was surprised at the changes and improvements going on. He said the mining outlook in the western part of Globe district never looked so good as it does now.

United States Attorney J. L. B. Alexander says, regarding the recently published report that the laborers at Roosevelt were being worked more than statutory time, that he has never been in conference with anyone regarding the situation, but that if his attention was called to the matter by a responsible party he would be glad to investigate it.

**NEW TIME CARD.**—The Southern Pacific railroad is preparing to issue a new time card, the effect of which is to increase the running time of the Golden State Limited. In the future that train will take two hours more between Los Angeles and Chicago than it has been doing.

**COMMUNICATION CUT OFF.**—A landslide on the Nacozari railroad, which covered the track with thousands of tons of earth and rock, put the line out of business for almost a week. In addition to the landslide there was a big washout on the railroad. For several weeks there had been a succession of rains and snow storms.

**MINERS' CONVENTION.**—The first convention of the Arizona Miners' Association will be held in Bisbee early in April. Mining men from every county in the territory are expected to attend. Another meeting of the executive committee will be held in Phoenix March 12. The membership of the association is now about 1000.

### CLIFTON MINER RETURNS SAYS GLOBE IS BOOMING

Prospected in Yuma County and Met Wyatt Earp Who Has Some Good Claims.

A. Lafave arrived home this week from an extensive prospecting trip along the Colorado river, says the Copper Era. He went to the end of the Santa Fe road now building from Wickenburg to the Colorado river, where he outfitted and "hit the trail." He crossed the river at Parker and then struck into the mountains, where he spent several weeks. He found many promising leads, and made several locations which he will prospect more thoroughly later. While in that section he met Wyatt Earp, well known in Arizona in early days, who is working some good claims and hopes yet to become a millionaire. The last time they

met was in the wilds of Alaska, where they each managed to evade Dame Fortune. Mr. Lafave walked off about twenty pounds of flesh while away, and will remain at home a few weeks to fatten up before again taking to the hills. He reports that Globe is now the center of the boom in the southwest, though all sections seem prosperous. At Globe from three to four hundred men are compelled to sleep in chairs, or roll up in their blankets in the rear end of saloons. Houses are being erected just as fast as material can be had. The boom is caused by the development of the mineral resources of the Globe district, which is fast coming to the front. Money is plentiful and business good.

### REBUILDING RAILROAD FROM BOWIE TO GLOBE

Rapid Growth of Globe Business Demands Better Roadbed and Equipment.

From the Safford Guardian

The party in charge, Assistant Engineer H. Devereux, now making headquarters in Safford, is running a line on a tangent from Matthews to a point one mile south of Safford, where the railroad crosses the country road. It seems to be the intention to cut out curves and lower grades through the entire valley, and make the Gila Valley, Globe and Northern a thoroughly up-to-date railway.

Chief Engineer E. A. McFarland, in charge of construction on the Randolph road in Arizona and Mexico, was in Safford last Friday, looking over the work of his subordinates in this vicinity.

Shearer & Co., who have a contract for thirty-two miles of reconstruction of the Gila Valley, Globe and Northern railway, from Fort Thomas to San Carlos, have a large number of men and teams at work and are making rapid progress. Within a week or two the force will be largely augmented from other work recently completed by this big contracting firm.

The new line of the Gila Valley, Globe & Northern railway between Fort Thomas and San Carlos, will be one mile shorter than the old line, and will have over 400 degrees less curvature, beside maintaining a maximum grade of one-half of one per cent, being six inches in one hundred feet. It is entire new construction and in places will be a mile or more further back from the Gila river than the old line, entirely free from danger from washouts. From Fort Thomas to Solomonville the same general character of improvement will be maintained.

Shattuck & Desmond, who have the contract for reconstruction of the G. V., G. & N. from Solomonville to Rowie, have a similar contract on the Maricopa & Phoenix, another Randolph road. During the recent troubles at the Salton Sea a large number of men and teams were temporarily taken off the Arizona work for the emergency, but have been returned to Arizona.

### JOHN SHARPE WILLIAMS ON STATEHOOD OUTRAGE

After the passage of the Hamilton statehood bill by the house the Arizona delegation sent a letter of thanks to John Sharp Williams, the democratic leader of the house, who sent the following strong reply:

Mr. Dwight B. Heard, Chairman Arizona Anti-Statehood League.

My Dear Sir:—I have just received the letter of the 26th signed by you and by Mr. Goodrich, the secretary of your league. There ought really to be no thanks due to genuine democrats for the course taken by the democracy in opposition to the joint statehood bill. A real democrat, with democratic traditions and democratic fibre in him, could not have well acted otherwise, because there can be for him nothing more sacred than the right of self government and the right of a community to elect its own form of self government. The coupling together, for all times, as a state in the union, the people of two independent territories, not because they wish it, but because of purely partisan reasons, presents itself to my mind as one of the greatest outrages ever performed by politicians dressed in a little brief authority.

I am, with many thanks for your letter, very truly yours, (Signed) JOHN S. WILLIAMS.

### WESTERN UNION EXTENSIONS—F.

H. Lamb, general superintendent of the Pacific coast division of the Western Union Telegraph company, spent yesterday in the city on his regular semi-annual tour of inspection of offices. He has for several weeks past been in the southern part of the territory superintending the securing of the entrance of a Western Union line into Bisbee, Douglas and Naco. The office in Bisbee was opened January 29, at Douglas February 8, and at Naco yesterday. To all of these points Phoenix now has a direct wire. Mr. Lamb also spent considerable time at Globe, which city, he says, is very prosperous. The business of his company has been such at Globe that a company wire will be run to the city from Bowie. Heretofore the Western Union has used the railroad wire.—Republican.

### GOVERNMENT PRAISE OF ARIZONA FRUITS

A Department Expert Says he Never Saw as Fine Specimens Anywhere

One of the many good results of holding a territorial fair was the bringing of the people of the territory to a further appreciation of the adaptability, as varied as exceptional, of the territory for fruit growing, says the Phoenix Republican. Some of the fruit shown at this fair was worthy of a place on any pomological show table in America. After the fair V. A. Clark, horticulturist of the territorial experiment station, sent a few of the fruits exhibited at the fair to Col. G. B. Brackett, the pomologist of the department of agriculture at Washington. In reply the following letter was received:

"I am in receipt of yours and of the box by express containing some of the Arizona fruits. No. 1 Gano apples grown by R. R. Willard, Oak creek, are the finest specimens I have ever received of this variety.

"The apple grown by E. A. Jordan, Jerome, is Northwestern Greening, and is a very fine specimen of this variety.

"The pomelo is a very fine specimen. I have had a painting made from it.

"The lemons grown by the same party, O. F. Townsend of Yuma, are very good indeed, and I am glad to know that you can grow such fine fruit in your section; if you are not liable to have your trees injured by frosts, it would be a paying industry for you to grow such fruit.

"You certainly have a wonderful country for growing fruits wherever you can obtain sufficient water for the purpose. I do not suppose you can grow fruits in that section without irrigation, but when you have such fine fruits as these indicate, you certainly should find it a paying industry."

### AN ARIZONA BEAUTY SPOT

Harcuvar Valley Has Been Generously Dealt With by Nature

A representative of the Phoenix Gazette, lately in the Harcuvar valley in Yuma county, was greatly impressed with the country both as to its general merits and its beauty. The valley is located between the Harcuvar mountains on the north and the Harquahalla range on the south, and is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful spots in the entire southwest.

The great mountain peaks rear their heads on all sides, and so perfect is the sight that it more resembles the handiwork of man rather than being caused by the aaphazard work of nature. The only drawback so far to the section—if such it can be termed—is the fact that it is necessary to go in the neighborhood of 200 feet to get water. But the bored wells, after they are once complete, furnish such an excellent quality of water that this can scarcely be called a drawback.

The views obtainable from the surrounding mountains cannot be excelled on this continent, if, indeed, their equal exists anywhere in the world. "Old Eagle Eye" and others of the peaks that surround the valley should make this section famous from one ocean to the other.

The valley is located almost due west from Wickenburg, at the western extremity of Yuma county, and is traversed from one end to the other by the new Arizona & California railroad, the building of which has greatly stimulated the mining industry in the hills on all sides.

Within the past few days the Postal Telegraph company has established an office in Wendendale, and by the first of next month an express office will be opened, as well as the railroad ticket office.

### The Reward of Judas

Myron H. McCord has received his "thirty pieces of silver" for betraying the people of Arizona. His appointment as collector of customs at Nogales has been confirmed. By the way, McCord was not a Rough Rider. The only powder he smelled was that burned in firing blank cartridges in salutes. His principal service as marshal was in deporting Chinese laundrymen who had lost their papers.—Mesa Free Press.

### GOLD AND SILVER FROM SHANNON MINE

One of the greatest surprises recently was the statement of the Shannon copper company that during the past year they had received more than 500 ounces of gold and 17,000 ounces of silver from their copper ores. This is an entirely new feature with the Shannon, as their previous statement did not show precious metal values. The San Jose mine, owned by the Standard Consolidated Copper company, is making a record as a producer of both gold and silver.

In the interest of the stockholders in general, two engineers of high standing are about to begin an examination of the Shannon mines, in order to give the officials the full benefit of their knowledge and experience. Considerable investigation is also being made into different methods of concentration

of that class of ores which are now being found at the Shannon.

The new converting plant is now in commission, and in the future the company will convert its own matte. The plant includes several new ideas, and is said to be a model in every respect.

### Swift Punishment

Rufus Johnson committed a particularly fiendish murder in New Jersey on January 18, the trial occurred on February 8, and the prisoner was on that day convicted and sentenced to be hanged on February 23. The only delay was in catching the culprit. In all only thirty-six days will have elapsed between the commission of the crime and the infliction of the death penalty for it. That is swift punishment, but it is better than lynching.

### WORK PROCEEDS SLOWLY ON SALT RIVER DAM

Progress of the work on the irrigation works at Roosevelt will depend to a great extent on the weather for the next six weeks. At this season Salt river is apt to be high and it is not probable that work on the dam proper can be started before April.

The power canal will be in operation in a short time, as the work of cementing it has been about completed. Then the electrical machinery is to be installed and with additional power the cement mill will turn out 300 barrels of cement every twenty-four hours, at present the output is about half that amount.

Contractor O'Rourke has nearly 100 men at work excavating the bluffs on either side of the channel, where the dam is to be constructed. Government work has been considerably lessened during the past month and the force of employees reduced.

### LODGES AND SOCIETIES

#### Pinal Mountain Lodge, No. 11, Knights of Pythias

Meets regularly every Thursday evening in the I. O. O. F. Hall. Visiting knights in good standing cordially invited.

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Regular meetings of White Mountain lodge, No. 3, will be held the first Tuesday of each month in Odd Fellows' building.

LEROY MIDDLETON, W. M.  
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#### A. O. U. W.

Globe lodge, No. 15, meets every Wednesday at 8 p. m., in Miners' Union hall. Visiting brothers in good standing are cordially invited.

D. S. HERON, W. M.  
L. N. MARK, Recorder.

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